

NAVAL MISSION

Exchanges of notes at Washington January 3 and 18, March 21, May 2, June 8, August 10, and September 17, 1946, amending and extending agreement of May 7, 1942
Entered into force September 17, 1946; operative from May 7, 1946
*Amended and extended by agreement of June 29 and October 9, 1954*¹

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The Brazilian Ambassador to the Secretary of State

[TRANSLATION]

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF BRAZIL
WASHINGTON, *January 3, 1946*

No. 1/530.1 (22)

MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

In as much as the Agreement for the United States Naval Mission in Brazil² is due to expire May 7, 1946, I respectfully request Your Excellency to use your good offices with the proper authorities to the end that the said Agreement may be extended for a period of four more years.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

CARLOS MARTINS PEREIRA E SOUSA

His Excellency

JAMES F. BYRNES

Secretary of State of the United States of America

The Acting Secretary of State to the Brazilian Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON
Jan 18 1946

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of January 3, 1946 in which you convey the request of your Government

¹ 5 UST 2735; TIAS 3130.

² Agreement signed at Rio de Janeiro May 7, 1942 (EAS 247), *ante*, p. 922.

for the renewal of the Agreement entered into on May 7, 1942, between the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Brazil, providing for the assignment of a United States Naval Mission to Brazil.

I note that Your Excellency's Government desires to renew this agreement for a period of four years, the renewal to commence upon the termination of the present agreement on May 7, 1946, and I am pleased to inform Your Excellency that this arrangement is agreeable to this Government, provided the agreement is so amended as to include the following language as an additional article to the basic agreement:

"The members of this Mission are permitted and may be authorized to represent the United States of America on any commission and in any other capacity having to do with military cooperation or hemispheric defense without prejudice to this contract."

I shall appreciate it if Your Excellency will inform me whether the suggested amendment is acceptable to the Brazilian Government.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Acting Secretary of State:
SPRUILLE BRADEN

His Excellency
CARLOS MARTINS
Ambassador of Brazil

The Brazilian Ambassador to the Secretary of State

[TRANSLATION]

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF BRAZIL
WASHINGTON, *March 21, 1946*

No. 61/530.1 (22)

MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the note of January 18 of the current year by which Your Excellency informed me that the United States Government concurs in extending for a period of four years, beginning on May 7, 1946, the Naval Mission Agreement between the United States of America and Brazil, after the following additional article has been included in the same:

"The members of this Mission are enabled and may be authorized to represent the United States of America on any board or in any capacity which pertains to military cooperation or defense of the Hemisphere, without prejudice to this agreement."

2. In reply, I inform Your Excellency that the Government of Brazil concurs in the inclusion of the additional article mentioned above.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

CARLOS MARTINS PEREIRA E SOUSA

His Excellency

JAMES F. BYRNES

Secretary of State of the United States of America

The Brazilian Ambassador to the Secretary of State

[TRANSLATION]

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF BRAZIL
WASHINGTON, May 2, 1946

No. 98/530.1 (22)

MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

Supplementary to my note No. 61, of March 21 last, concerning the renewal of the Naval Mission Agreement between the United States of America and Brazil, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government wishes to have certain additions and alterations inserted in the articles of the Agreement which is to come into force on the seventh of the current month, in order to:

a) Establish the fact that the officers of the Mission may work in conjunction with the Staffs of the Naval Forces or in the various Bureaus of the Navy, whenever their technical and professional experience is required on such commissions;

b) Modify Title I, Article 2, of the present Agreement by the addition of a new sentence, to read as follows:

"In case members of the Naval Mission are appointed for the purpose of familiarizing the Brazilian Navy with the use of special equipment or methods, the United States Government may withdraw them without replacing them, on the completion of the special assignments for which they were appointed."

c) Modify Title IV, Article 4 of the present agreement, changing the final sentence to read as follows:

"In the case of personnel who, at the request of the Minister of Marine of Brazil, may be appointed as members of the Mission for the purpose of familiarizing the Brazilian Navy with the use of special equipment or methods, set forth in Title I, Article 2, the payment of expenses for the transportation of families, household effects and automobiles shall not be subject to

this agreement, but shall be determined by negotiation between the representative of the United States Navy and the authorized representative of the Ministry of Marine of Brazil in Washington at such time as the choice of the personnel for such duty may be agreed upon.”

2. The changes given in paragraphs *b* and *c*, suggested by the United States Naval Mission, are intended to provide for the need which the Brazilian Navy will have in future for the assistance of personnel of the United States Navy in questions of training, maintenance and supply which will arise during the period in which Brazilian personnel is being familiarized with the new ships and equipment.

3. Although that duty constitutes one of the functions of the United States Naval Mission, in view of the fact that in many cases it will be of a temporary character, it will not be necessary that the personnel assigned to it be included as full members of the Mission for the entire two years of the agreement.

4. However, it will be advisable to assign the personnel who may be appointed to such duties a status which is defined in the agreement, to terminate upon completion of their particular assignments.

5. With regard to the strength of the United States Naval Mission, the Brazilian Government would like for it to be composed of:

a) *Officers*

- (x) 1 chief
- (x) 1 assistant chief
- (x) 1 finance officer
- (x) 1 ordnance officer
- (x) 1 communications officer
- (x) 1 naval construction officer

Officers to serve as Instructors

- (x) 1 officer for the Naval War School
- (x) 1 officer for the Training Center and Instructors' School
- 1 officer for the System of Selection of Subaltern Personnel
- 1 officer for the School for Training Technicians in the repair and maintenance of electronic radio, radar and sound equipment

Engineer Officers

- 1 boiler officer
- 1 turbine officer
- 1 damage control officer
- 1 torpedo factory officer
- 1 medical officer
- 1 Marine Corps officer
- (x) 2 officers to serve at Staff Headquarters of the Mission

18 Total number of officers

b) *Petty Officers*

- 1 petty officer specialist in the repair and maintenance of optical equipment
- 1 petty officer torpedoman with experience in submarines
- 1 petty officer motor expert, with a knowledge of refrigerator plants

- 1 petty officer, boiler specialist, with a knowledge of high-pressure boilers
- 1 machinist's mate with a knowledge of steam turbines
- 1 electrician's mate with a knowledge of gyroscopes and internal communications
- 1 petty officer specialist in the localizing and control of damage
- 1 gunner's mate or turret chief with a knowledge of the organization and training of gun crews and the maintenance of their respective batteries
- (x) 1 petty officer to serve at Staff Headquarters of the Mission
- 1 petty officer to serve at the headquarters of the Naval War School
- 1 petty officer to serve in the office of the Director of Naval Instruction

11 Total number of petty officers

The officers and petty officers marked "(x)" are already in Brazil.

6. I should be very grateful if Your Excellency would be so good as to inform me whether the American Government is in agreement with these proposals of the Brazilian Government, as set forth by me in this note, with reference to the additions and alterations in the articles of the Naval Mission Agreement, and also with reference to the composition of its complement.

7. Lastly, I inform Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government has no objection to the suggestion made by the United States Naval Mission concerning the reestablishment of the clause which appeared in our agreements prior to the one now in force, according to which the members of the Mission were granted the same rights and privileges which are enjoyed by diplomatic representatives of corresponding rank accredited in Brazil.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

CARLOS MARTINS PEREIRA E SOUSA

His Excellency

JAMES F. BYRNES

Secretary of State of the United States of America

The Secretary of State to the Brazilian Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

June 8, 1946

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note, no. 98/530.1(22) dated May 2, 1946, requesting certain modifications to the basic Agreement entered into on May 7, 1942 and extended for a period of four years by an exchange of notes dated January 3 and 18 and March 21, 1946 respectively, which provides for the assignment of a United States Naval Mission to Brazil.

In this connection, I am pleased to inform Your Excellency that the modification of Title IV, Article 4 of the basic Agreement, as suggested in para-

graph (c) of Your Excellency's note under reference, is acceptable to the Government of the United States of America provided the Agreement is amended as follows: after the word "appointed" there shall be inserted "for a period of less than six months." The Navy Department is of the opinion that for periods longer than six months, temporary members of the Mission should not, in peacetime, be ordered to duty which would require separation from their families for an excessive length of time. When the services of temporary members are required for longer than six months, they should be entitled to the privileges of the present Agreement.

With regard to the new composition suggested for the Mission, the Navy Department informs the Department it cannot make definite commitments to furnish all the specialized personnel of officers and enlisted men requested, although every effort will be put forth to make them available.

I shall appreciate it if Your Excellency will inform me whether the suggested amendment is acceptable to the Brazilian Government.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

SPRUILLE BRADEN

His Excellency

CARLOS MARTINS

Ambassador of Brazil

The Brazilian Ambassador to the Acting Secretary of State

[TRANSLATION]

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF BRAZIL

WASHINGTON, *August 10, 1946*

No. 205/530.1 (22)

MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

In supplement to my note No. 124/530.1 (22), of June 11 last, relative to the agreement for the American Naval Mission in Brazil, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government, taking into consideration the reasons given by the American Government, agrees to the proposed change in the wording of Art. 4, Chapter IV, of the said contract.

2. This article shall therefore be worded thus:

"In the case of personnel who, at the request of the Minister of Marine of Brazil, may join the Mission for a period of less than six months for the purpose of instructing the Brazilian Navy in the use of equipment or special methods, as provided in Title I, Art. 2, payment of expenses for the transportation of families, household effects and automobiles shall not be required under this Agreement, but shall be determined by agreement between the

representative of the United States Navy and the authorized representative of the Ministry of Marine of Brazil in Washington at such time as the detail of personnel for such duty may be agreed upon."

3. With respect to the members of the American Naval Mission in Brazil, I communicate to Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government would be gratified if there were among the members a "Chief Fire Control Man" who has passed a course in repairs at the Navy Yard in Washington, D.C., and who is well acquainted with repairs on the Director XXXIII type system, distance control, electric and hydro-electric, types 4 and 5, and who has likewise had experience in the installation of artillery equipment aboard the new destroyers.

I avail myself of this occasion to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

CARLOS MARTINS PEREIRA E SOUSA

His Excellency

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America

The Acting Secretary of State to the Brazilian Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

September 17 1946

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note, no. 205/530.1 (22) of August 10, 1946, concerning the renewal of the Agreement for the United States Naval Mission to Brazil signed May 7, 1942.

In this connection, I am pleased to note that the extension of the Agreement, with the changes in the wording of Title IV, Article 4, as set forth in your note, is agreeable to your Government.

I am informed that the Navy Department is seeking a Chief Fire Control Man and as soon as a suitable selection is made his name and biographical sketch will be submitted for consideration by your Government.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration

For the Acting Secretary of State:

SPRUILLE BRADEN

His Excellency

CARLOS MARTINS

Ambassador of Brazil